

to the curved member and a second portion configured to be secured to a respective portion of one of a wall of the heart and a papillary muscle.

44. (New) The device of claim 43, further comprising an anchor assembly configured to be secured to the second portion of each of the elongate members and configured to secure the second portion of each of the elongate members to the respective portion of one of a wall of the heart and a papillary muscle.

#### REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants cancel claim 1 and add new claims 18-44. Since claims 2-17 were canceled upon filing this application, claims 18-44 remain pending.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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